



# Riverbend United Church Announcements

April 13<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018



Friday, April 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting Room) Ghana Methodist Church (Chapel)
Saturday, April 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 noon 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Little Kickers Soccer class (Lower level hall) Ghana Methodist Church (Boardroom) Riverbend Art Group (Youth room) McGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting room) RUC Youth Group (Youth Room)
<b>Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am 10:30 am 12:30 pm 4:30 pm</b>	<b>Affirming Conversations (Chapel) Service (Sanctuary)</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary) Art of Living Foundation (Lower level hall)
Monday, April 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 10:30 am 3:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting Room) Southside Duplicate Bridge (Lower level hall) McGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting room) Discover Coding Zone (Boardroom) <b>Bell Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)</b> Girl Guides (Lower level hall) Adult Literacy Group (Meeting Room)
Tuesday, April 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 1:30 pm 1:30 pm 3:30 pm 4:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting Room) <b>Restorative Yoga (Lower level hall)</b> <b>Reflective Crafting (Chapel)</b> Elite Kids Dance (Lower level hall) McGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting room) Country Garden Condominium Association (Sanctuary) Spiritual Formation (Meeting Room)
Wednesday, April 18 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 3:30 pm 4:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting Room) <b>Wednesday Walkers (Gathering Area)</b> <b>Staff Meeting (Family room)</b> McGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting room) Elite Kids Dance (Lower level hall) Tourette's Support Group (Youth room) <b>Affirming Conversations (Chapel)</b>
Thursday, April 19 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 1:30 pm 3:30 pm 5:00 pm 7:30 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting Room) <b>Reflective Crafting (Chapel)</b> McGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting room) Elite Kids Dance (Lower level hall) <b>Choir rehearsal (Sanctuary)</b>
Friday, April 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm 4:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	E2 Academy (Boardroom & Meeting Room) WeCan Food Basket pick-up (Kitchen) Make Tax Time Pay (Boardroom, Meeting Room) WeCan Food Basket pick-up (Kitchen) <b>RUC Bridge Night (Lower level hall)</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Chapel)
Saturday, April 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 1:00 pm 5:30 pm	Little Kickers Soccer class (Lower level hall) Make Tax Time Pay (Boardroom, Meeting Room) Ghana Methodist Church (Boardroom) McGregor Tutoring Services (Meeting room) <b>Community Dinner with Brander Gardens ROCKS</b>
<b>Earth Day Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am 10:30 am 11:30 am 12:30 pm</b>	<b>Affirming Conversations (Chapel) Service (Sanctuary)</b> <b>Earth Day Spring Fling &amp; Potluck luncheon</b> Ghana Methodist Church (Sanctuary)

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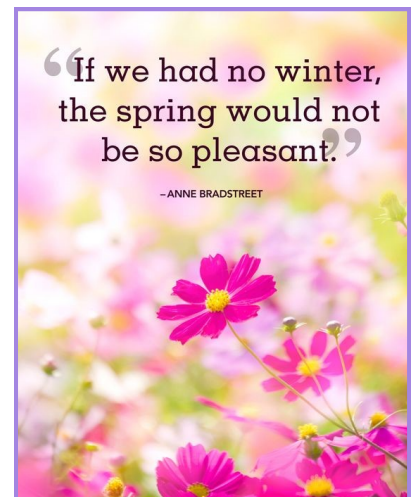


## Earth Day Spring Fling

Join us after church on  
**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** to celebrate Earth  
Day and the gifts of creation  
with a potluck lunch and a  
time for fellowship.  
All are welcome!

“If we had no winter,  
the spring would not  
be so pleasant.”

— ANNE BRADSTREET



## Riverbend United Church Community

**Affirming Conversations:** Does the Bible have wisdom for us in our conversations about becoming an Affirming congregation? Let's take a look at this and other topics.

Please join in this discussion:

- Affirming Conversations Session 1: Sunday, **April 15**, at 9:00 a.m., repeated on Wednesday, **April 18** at 7:00 p.m.
- Affirming Conversations Session 2: Sunday, **April 22**, at 9:00 a.m., repeated on Wednesday, **April 25** at 7:00 p.m.

**RUC Bridge Night:** The next Riverbend United Church Bridge night is scheduled for Friday, **April 20th**. Set-up is at 6:30 p.m. and play begins at 7:00 p.m. If you wish to attend, kindly email Kay Quon at: [quonline@shaw.ca](mailto:quonline@shaw.ca)

**New members** will be received into Riverbend United Church on Sunday, **April 22nd**. If you are interested in learning more please speak to Valerie or call the office at 780.430.7275. We would love to officially welcome you into the life of the church!

**Fibre & needle crafters!** The Spiritual Formation Committee's "prayer squares and shawls for Lent" project is complete. If you wish to continue gathering in reflection and working on your own projects, join us on **Thursday** afternoons at 1:30 p.m. in the Chapel for "*Reflective Crafting*".

**Volunteers needed:** to serve on an *ad hoc* committee to set the terms of reference for the establishment of two new financial funds as approved at the recent RUC AGM. The United Church of Canada has provided considerable guidance and examples from other congregations to help the work of the committee. No more than three meetings will occur in April, May and early June; then the committee will dissolve. Interested? Please contact David Olson at [dmolson@ualberta.ca](mailto:dmolson@ualberta.ca) or 780.436.1482. Anyone is welcome; we hope to strike a diverse committee. Experience on other boards, foundations or with endowments is welcome but not necessary.

**Restorative Yoga at Riverbend United:** Beginning April 3rd, Riverbend United Church began hosting an 8-week "Restorative Yoga" class on Tuesday afternoons. Almost a dozen people signed up and are enjoying the classes. Others have asked whether the class might also be offered in the evenings or on weekends. Would you be interested in joining an evening or weekend class? If so, please call the office at 780.430.7275 to register your day and time preference.

## Our broader community

**Sherwood Park United Church** made the decision to become an **Affirming Ministry** in the United Church of Canada in January 2018. They are planning a Celebration Weekend on **April**

**14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>**, 2018. Events include:

- Chili supper on Saturday the 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. followed by a 7:00 p.m. movie "Over the Rainbow" about Camp fyrefly. Your free will offerings will support the camp.
- Service of Celebration and Worship on Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 a.m. will include members of Edmonton Presbytery, the wider community and special guests from Camp fyrefly. A special offering will be taken to support the Camp in honour of Camping Sunday. A time of fellowship and refreshment will follow the service.

Your presence will bless this time together as Sherwood Park United Church celebrates this milestone.

**Chronos Vocal Ensemble** presents "FREE: The Tradition of African-American Spirituals" concert on Sunday, **April 15th** at 7:30 p.m. at All Saints' Anglican Cathedral (10035—103 Street NW). A preview performance is also being offered on Friday, **April 13th** at 7:30 p.m. This concert will present arrangements of spirituals spanning a century of choral tradition, with themes of hope, peace, and release from oppression. Tickets: [ChronosVocalEnsemble.com](http://ChronosVocalEnsemble.com)

**River City Preschool:** is a parent run cooperative playschool for 3 and 4 year olds located in Riverbend United Church. September registration is available by contacting [registrar@rivercitypreschool.ca](mailto:registrar@rivercitypreschool.ca) or by calling 780.666.5315

**Make Tax Time Pay** E4C is offering confidential tax preparation for low-income families and individuals on **April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>** at Riverbend United Church. Please call 780.439.9394 for additional information, to make appointments, and to obtain a list of documents you will need to bring with you.

**SupportAbility Edmonton:** offers home, lifestyle and community supports to seniors and adults with disabilities in the Edmonton and surrounding areas. Fast, friendly, affordable and professional services can seamlessly connect individuals to their communities. Services include:

- Grocery delivery and concierge services
- Transportation and supportive accompaniment
- Home, lifestyle and transition supports
- Technology and accessibility training
- Personal, respite and companion care
- Private care advocacy and monitoring

For additional information please call 780.554.3706.